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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

) Group Art Unit: 2172

Hitoshi SEKINE, et al.

) Examiner: Fred I. Ehichioya

Application No. 09/782,988

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STORING  
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Sir:

This reply is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 5, 2004.

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